

MINUTES
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2014
TRAINING ROOM
3300 CAPITOL AVE., BUILDING B
FREMONT, CALIFORNIA
7:15 P.M.

1. **SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM**

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

3. **ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners present.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of January 27, 2014

Correction to 9.3 spelling of the word “will”

A motion was made by Commissioner Dewan and seconded by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the minutes as corrected of January 27, 2014. The motion was approved and so ordered. Commissioner Nguyen-Cleary abstained from the vote.

5. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

6. **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Dominican Sisters Groundbreaking Ceremony – March 19 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
- Year of the Horse – Citizens for a Better Community – Saturday, April 5, 2014. Hilton Newark/Fremont at 5:30
- Journey Home breakfast at ABODE – March 6th from 7:15 a.m – 8:30 a.m. at the Fremont Marriot
- Meet and greet with Nancy O’Malley on March 3

8. **CONSENT ITEMS** (Routine items requiring no discussion; any Commissioner or member of the public can ask for a consent item to be moved to the regular agenda to allow for discussion)

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

9.1 CAHRO Northern California Regional Conference

There has been no communication from CAHRO. Staff will check in with them for any updates.

9.2 Film Screening: Matthew Shepard is a Friend of Mine

Commissioner Hoffman is working on getting the film rights and has contacted Jack Weinstein from the non-profit organization Facing History and Ourselves, regarding facilitating the discussion portion of the event. Commissioner Hoffman said she would report back to staff within the week on her results for procuring the film rights.

The date for the event has been postponed. The suggestion was made by the Commissioners to try and tie into the Gay Pride Parade in June. It was also suggested that to have the viewing on May 22, which is Harvey Milk Day.

9.3 HRC Planning Retreat

The HRC strategic planning retreat will be held on April 17, 2014 at the Dominican Sisters from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. At the March meeting staff will present the framework for the retreat.

Commissioner Hoffman requested that the mission statement be read at the beginning of every meeting.

10. **NEW BUSINESS** (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agendaized discussion or taken action)

10.1 Selection of 2014 HRC Chairperson and Vice-Chair

A motion was made by Commissioner Nguyen-Cleary and seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the nomination of Commissioner Watanuki as Chair and Commissioner Vuppala as Vice Chair. Both have accepted their respective nominations. The motion was approved and so ordered.

10.2 Human Services Site Visit Review

Commission and Staff reported back on their site visit experiences. Commissioner Nguyen-Cleary requested that in future site visits, neutral interpreters be used and not agency employees.

10.3 San Francisco Gay Pride Parade

The next San Francisco Pride Parade is scheduled for Sunday, June 29, 2014. Last year, the City's contingent included a 14 foot flatbed truck, which required extensive setup, decoration and coordination. Monitors are needed to attend trainings prior to the parade. Commissioner Hoffman offered to organize the Monitor walkers. Staff to contact the person who helped with

construction of last year's float. Chair Watanuki with contact the school superintendent for contacts at local High Schools to help organize a decorating committee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Iyer and seconded by Commissioner Kwan to have the Human Relations Commission participate in the 2014 Gay Pride Parade with a 14 foot flatbed truck. The motion was approved and so ordered.

11. **COMMISSION REFERRALS** (Referrals from the City Council to the Commission)

12. **STANDING AND ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS** (Oral reports on relevant meetings/events)

12.1 Social Service Agency Outreach Committee

No update

12.2 Events Committee

No update

12.3 Community Outreach Committee

No update

12.4 HRC Award Committee

No update. Commissioners would like to see this item discussed at the next meeting and possibly at the Strategic Planning Meeting in April.

12.5 Friends of the HRC Committee

No updates. Next CAEB meeting is on Tuesday, February 25, 2014. Commissioner Dewan will give update next month.

12.6 Other Commission Updates

Commissioner Hoffman asked why there wasn't free WiFi at the FRC and if the Senior Center had a LGBT Safe sign prominently posted at the Senior Center. Staff will look into it.

13. **STAFF REPORTS**

13.1 Attendance Summary (**Attachment 13.1**)

13.2 Calendar (**Attachment 13.2**) of HRC regular/special meetings and events.

13.3 Citizens for Better Community Year of the Horse- Saturday, April 5, 2014

14. **REFERRALS TO STAFF** (a request to have items placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dhami to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved and so ordered.